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Referred to Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH

Introduced by:
(PH)

***AN ACT CONCERNING THE PROVISION OF SERVICES TO
INDIVIDUALS WITH INTELLECTUAL DISABILITY.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2015*) (a) On or before July 1,
2 2016, the Commissioner of Developmental Services shall develop a
3 plan, in consultation with (1) individuals who receive services from the
4 Department of Developmental Services, (2) family members of such
5 individuals, (3) members of organizations that advocate for such
6 individuals, (4) persons who provide services to such individuals, and
7 (5) representatives of labor organizations for persons who provide
8 services to such individuals to ensure that each individual with
9 intellectual disability who is eligible to receive services from the
10 department, including an individual currently on a waiting list to
11 receive services from the department, receives such services not later
12 than July 1, 2017. Such services shall include, but need not be limited
13 to, community-based residential services, respite care, emergency care,
14 day program services, vocational services and in-home support
15 services. Such plan shall include: (A) A description of additional
16 staffing and facilities that the department anticipates are likely to be

17 required to provide the services described in this subsection; (B) the
 18 amount of the appropriation required to provide such services; (C) a
 19 description of any Medicaid waiver that is likely to be required to
 20 provide such services; (D) a description of additional resources that are
 21 likely to be required to provide such services; and (E) a timeline for
 22 implementing the plan on or before July 1, 2017. Not later than January
 23 1, 2017, the commissioner shall submit the plan, in accordance with the
 24 provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes, to the joint standing
 25 committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters
 26 relating to public health, human services and appropriations and the
 27 budgets of state agencies.

28 (b) Not later than July 1, 2017, the Commissioner of Developmental
 29 Services shall provide each individual with intellectual disability who
 30 is eligible to receive services from the department with the services
 31 described in subsection (a) of this section for which the individual is
 32 eligible, in accordance with the plan submitted under subsection (a) of
 33 this section.

34 (c) The services provided in accordance with this section shall not
 35 result in a reduction of other services offered by the Department of
 36 Developmental Services or a reduction in pay or benefits to employees
 37 of the department or employees of organizations receiving funding
 38 under a contract with the department to provide services for
 39 individuals with intellectual disability.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2015	New section

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